(c) if so, whether any steps in this regard have been considered; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d). One project each for production of palm oil has been established in Kerala and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. About 5.75 lakh hectares of land in the country have been identified as suitable for palm cultivation. Possibility for exploring palm cultivation have already started in the identified areas. A number of schemes were sanctioned to take up oil palm cultivation during 8th Plan period, namely, setting up to nurseries and frontline demonstration and processing in Karnataka, Oil Palm Seed Garden in Andhra Pradesh, expansion of the capacity of the seed germination at CPCRI, Palode.

SSI Producing Paraffin Wax

3406. KUMARI DIPIKA CHIKHLIA:
SHRI CHETAN P.S. CHOUHAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "paraffin was SSIs likely turn sick" appearing in the Economic Times of September 27, 1991;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to be taken to safeguard the interests of small scale industries producing paraffin wax out of slack wax?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (PROF. P.J. KURIEN): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and would be laid on the Table of the House.

Saleempur Aromatic Plant

3407. KUMARI DIPIKA CHIKHLIA:
SHRIMATI MAHENDRA KUMARI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the permission of Foreign Investment Board in respect of Saleempur Aromatic Plant has since been granted by the Union Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons for delay; and

(d) the time by when permission is likely to be granted?

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (d). Matter is under consideration fo the Government.

[*Translation*]

Repair of Approach Roads in West Enclave Pitampura

3408. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the dilapidated condition of the approach roads leading to the newly constructed flats by House Building Societies in the West Enclave of Pitampura on the Outer Ring Road; and